



# INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR AURICULAR RECONSTRUCTION

## **Active Members**

### **A. QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Shall be legally qualified, reputable practicing clinicians who are active in restoration of form and function of the human auricle and who have made worthwhile contributions in this field of endeavor.
2. Shall have had at least six months' training in ear reconstruction or atresia surgery at a program or institution recognized by the Society.
3. Shall be in active practice of surgical reconstruction or atresia surgery as part of a multidisciplinary team for a minimum of three years.
4. Shall have submitted a list of ear reconstruction operations performed in the previous two years which have been approved by the Society.
5. Shall have submitted a list of members of their multidisciplinary clinical team.
6. Shall have submitted a letter of sponsorship by an Active member of the Society.
7. Shall have submitted their CV.
8. Shall be an active member of a major society serving their specialty in their country.
9. Membership is not restricted to citizens of any specific country.
10. Under exceptional circumstances, these requirements may be waived by the Officers and Council.

### **B. RIGHTS and DUTIES**

1. May vote, hold office, and serve on committees of the Society.
2. After retirement from active practice, they shall not be required to pay dues or attend meetings; however, they shall pay a registration fee for meetings that they attend. They may become Life members (see Article II, section 12A).
3. If an Active member is still in active practice but no longer working in ear reconstruction or atresia surgery, they may continue their membership as an Associate member.
4. Payment of annual dues controls membership.

## **Associate Members**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Shall be individuals who have contributed to the understanding and/or treatment of disorders of the auricular region. They need not necessarily be actively engaged in the practice of ear reconstruction; however, in many instances membership in this category will be considered a necessary step before becoming an Active member.
2. A surgical candidate shall be legally qualified, practicing surgeon who:
  1. Shall have had at least six months' training in reconstructive or ENT surgery at a program or institution recognized by the Society;
  2. Shall have submitted a list of operations related to the field performed in the previous two years (see Appendix A);
  3. Shall have submitted a list of members of their multidisciplinary clinical team;
  4. Shall have submitted their CV including publications; and
  5. Shall be an active member of a major society serving their specialty in their country.
  6. Shall have submitted a letter of sponsorship by an Active member of the Society.
3. Membership is not restricted to citizens of any specific country.
4. Under exceptional circumstances, some of the above requirements may be waived by the Officers and Council.

### **B. RIGHTS and DUTIES**

1. May attend all scientific meetings and social functions of the Society.
2. May not serve on committees of the Society.
3. Cannot vote, hold office, or attend meetings of the Officers and Council.
4. Payment of annual dues controls membership.
5. After retirement from practice, they shall not be required to pay dues or attend meetings; however, they shall pay a registration fee for meetings that they attend. They may become Life members (see Article II, section 12A).

## **Allied Professional Members**

1. This category shall be reserved for those individuals who are members of a craniofacial team, but are not involved in surgery. This might include audiologists, prosthetists, psychologists, paediatricians, nurses, anaesthesiologists and therapists
2. Rights and Duties are identical to those described for Associate Members.
3. Shall have submitted a letter of sponsorship by an Active member of the Society.
4. Allied professional membership may be considered a preliminary step before applying for research membership.
5. Shall pay a reduced annual fee as determined by the Officers and Council.

## **Honorary Members**

1. Honorary members shall be individuals the Society deems worthy of special honor because of notable contributions in the field or because of long activity in the interests of the Society. They are not required to attend meetings or pay dues, and they cannot vote or hold office in the Society.
2. They shall be sponsored by two Active members after favourable approval of candidacy by both the Officers and Council

## **Research Members**

Members in this category shall be individuals who have contributed to ear reconstruction and otology research in the field of biology, tissue engineering, implantology, morphology, genetics, therapeutics, anthropology, psychologic research or related disciplines.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Shall be legally qualified according to the following standards indicative of a serious interest in ear reconstruction.
2. Shall hold a PhD, MD, DVM, DDS, or DO degree or other advanced academic degree(s) in a field related to ear reconstruction and atresia research.
3. Shall have published at least two research papers in the field.
4. Shall have submitted a letter of sponsorship by an Active member of the Society.

5. Membership is not restricted to citizens of any specific country.
6. Under exceptional circumstances, the Officers and Council may waive the above requirements.

## **B. RIGHTS and DUTIES**

1. May attend all scientific meetings and social functions of the Society.
2. May vote, hold office, and serve on committees of the Society.
3. Shall pay annual dues set by the Executive Committee.

## **Life Members**

1. Members who are retired from active practice may transfer to this category by written request sent to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Society.
2. Life members may have previously been of any membership category.
3. New applicants for membership may not join the Society as Life Members. A minimum of five years of previous membership is required for transfer to Life membership.
4. If members in this category were previously Active members, they may attend business meetings, but may not vote or hold office.
5. No member in this category is required to pay dues; however, they will be required to pay registration fees for meetings they attend.

## **Training Members**

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Shall be currently enrolled in a recognized training program in plastic surgery, craniofacial surgery, maxillofacial surgery, otolaryngology.
2. Shall have:
  1. submitted their CV including a list of publications.
  2. submitted a signed letter from their educational program director stating:
    - a. institution in which the trainee is enrolled
    - b. field of study;
    - c. that the trainee is in good standing; and
    - d. expected date of completion of the training program.

1. At the conclusion of all training, Resident/Fellow members must reapply for Associate membership to continue membership in the Society.
2. Membership is not restricted to citizens of any specific country.
3. Under exceptional circumstances, some requirements may be waived by the Officers and Council.

## **B. RIGHTS and DUTIES**

1. May register for and attend all scientific meetings and social functions of the Society at the Resident/Fellow rate.
2. Must pay the Resident/Fellow registration fee for meetings they attend.
3. May not vote, hold office, or attend meetings of the Officers and Council unless invited.
4. Shall pay a reduced annual fee as determined by the Officers and Council.
5. May apply for travelling fellowship awards.